Honored Members of BIPARTISAN TASK FORCE ON GUN VIOLENCE,

I would like to express my concerns about proposed changes to gun laws in CT.

My family has lived in CT since 1639. My ancestors fought in the American revolution and spilled their blood so that we the people would be free from an oppressive government.

The second amendment is not just about our rights to own a gun for hunting. The second amendment was put in place to allow the people of the United States to defend themselves against all threats both foreign and domestic. It was designed as a check to keep our own government from getting too powerful.

I feel that more limitations put upon legal gun owners as to the type of firearms they can own and what capacity the magazines can be would go directly against the intent of our forefathers to be able to defend ourselves. These attacks on our constitution are a slap in the face to those of us who's families fought for our freedom. When considering changes to gun laws please think about why the founders of our nation included the right to bear arms in our bill of rights.

Thank You,

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